

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of: ) Group Art Unit: 3732  
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                                  ) Examiner: O'Connor, Cary E.  
FREEMAN, Jr. et al.        )  
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Serial No.: 10/848,929      ) Confirmation No.: 5694  
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Filed: May 18, 2004         ) REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
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Atty. File No.: 1029-358-CIP )  
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For: "EDGEWISE ORTHODONTIC )  
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BRACKET WITH CHARACTER  
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BASE" (as amended)         )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313

Dear Sir:

Applicants, through their attorneys, respectfully petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) of one (1) month to respond to the Office Action mailed on March 8, 2006, with respect to the above-identified application, thereby extending the period for response from June 8, 2006, to July 8, 2006.

Please deduct the extension fee of \$60.00 from Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

Respectfully submitted,

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